
Statement of Tuition Assurance

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Under the provisions of Higher Education Support Act 2003 (HESA) and the associated HEP Guidelines Marcus Oldham College (the First Provider) provides a tuition assurance arrangement for all students who are enrolled in higher education courses it offers. This requirement is to protect students in the event that Marcus Oldham College ceases to provide a course of study in which a student is enrolled. The meaning of 'ceasing to provide a course of study' is set out in the HEP Guidelines.

In the event that Marcus Oldham College ceases to provide a course of study in which a student is enrolled the student is entitled to a choice of:

a. An offer of a place in a similar course of study with a Second Provider without any requirement to pay the Second Provider any student contribution or tuition fee for any replacement units (this is known as the 'Course Assurance Option')

OR

b. A refund of his or her up-front payments for any unit of study that the student commences but does not complete because Marcus Oldham College ceases to provide the course of study of which the unit forms part (this is known as the 'Student Contribution/Tuition Fee Repayment Option')

Marcus Oldham College has met the tuition assurance requirement of the HESA through its current membership of the Australian Council for Private Education and Training (ACPET) Australian Student Tuition Assurance Scheme (ASTAS).

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If Marcus Oldham College ceases to provide a course of study, ACPET will send a student enrolled in the course of study a Written Tuition Assurance Offer (the offer) advising the student of the options available under the tuition assurance requirements. The offer will include directions that the student must follow in order to notify ACPET of the choice they have made for each affected unit. ACPET will provide this offer within twenty business days after it knows or should know by reasonable enquiries that Marcus Oldham College has ceased to provide the course or study.

The course/s of study for which Marcus Oldham College has ACPET ASTAS membership are:

Marcus Oldham College Course	Qualification to which Marcus Oldham College Course Leads
Agriculture	Bachelor of Business (Agriculture)
Agribusiness	Diploma of Agribusiness Bachelor of Business (Agribusiness)
Equine Management	Diploma of Equine Management



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A student may choose either:

The Course Assurance Option

If a student accepts a place in a course offered by ACPET as named above, ACPET will offer the student the option of ACPET making all necessary arrangements to ensure a student is able to enrol in a similar course of study with a Second Provider. This offered course will lead to the same or a comparable qualification without any requirement on the part of the student to pay that Second Provider any student contribution or tuition fee for any replacement units. A student will receive full credit from the Second Provider for any units of study successfully completed at Marcus Oldham College.

The Second Provider nominated by ACPET may have different contribution amounts or tuition fees to the amounts or fees the student would have paid for units of study which were part of the course of study Marcus Oldham College ceased to provide.

A student is not obligated to enrol in a course of study with a Second Provider offered by ACPET under the Course Assurance Option. However, if he/she enrolls with any other provider there is no obligation on that provider to offer full credit transfer for the units of study completed with Marcus Oldham College or to offer a replacement/s unit fee of charge.

OR

The Student Contribution/Tuition Fee Replacement Option

If a student chooses the Student Contribution/Tuition Fee Repayment Option ACPET undertakes to pay the student, the total of any up-front payments already paid by the student for any units of study the student has commenced but not completed. Students selecting this option will also get SLE or FEE-HELP balance/s re-credited for uncompleted units.